

## AGRIGULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE May 12, 2020



The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by County Board Chairman, Harley Reabe, at 9:02 a.m., on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 via Zoom and also those in attendance in the Training Room of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Ken Bates Absent: Bob Dolgner

Patti Garro Keith Hess Katie Mehn

Staff Present: Adam Hady

Katie Gellings Ben Jenkins Morgan Martinez Kathy Ninneman

Also Present: Harley Reabe, County Board Chairman; Cathy Schmit, County Administrator; Nicole

Overbeck, Markesan Public Library Director; Kathy Munsey, Green Lake County Public Health Officer; Gary Podoll, Green Lake County Emergency Management; Todd Morris,

Conservationist of Land Conservation; Rich Swanke, Pullers Inc.

#### **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

County Board Chairman Harley Reabe requested nominations for Chair. Bates nominated Patti Garro. No other nominations for Chair. *Motion/second (Bates/Hess)* to close nominations and elect Patti Garro unanimously. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

Reabe requested nominations for Vice Chair. Garro nominated Katie Mehn. No other nominations for Vice Chair. *Motion/second (Garro/Hess)* to close nominations and elect Katie Mehn unanimously. All ayes. Motion carried. Garro was seated as Chair.

#### **MINUTES**

**Motion/second (Hess/Mehn)** to approve the March 10, 2020 minutes with no additions or corrections. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Nothing.

## **GREEN LAKE COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD NOMINATIONS**

Todd Morris, Conservationist of Land Conservation, representing the Drainage Board reported there are three individuals who have submitted nominations: Richard M. Sobieski, Joseph Formiller and Dennis Green.

**Motion/second (Hess/Mehn)** to accept all three names and forward the nominations for appointment on to Judge Slate. All ayes. Motion carried.

# **COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT**

The submitted monthly reports are in the committee packet. Overbeck gave a verbal report as well to the Committee. Reabe announced that Vicky Bernhagen is a new member on the Markesan Library Board.

## CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FOR LINDSEY MACHKOVICH, FAIR COORDINATOR

Machkovich has requested a credit card for the use of Fair purchases.

Motion by (Hess/Bates) to approve a credit card for the Fair. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL TO PUT LINDSEY MACHKOVICH AS A CO-SIGNER ON FAIR BANK ACCOUNT

The current signatures for the Green Lake County Fair Bank account held at the Horicon Bank, Green Lake, are Amanda Toney, Patti Garro and Katie Mehn. Lindsey Machkovich, Fair Coordinator, needs to be added as a co-signer, since she was hired this past March.

**Motion/second (Mehn/Hess)** to approve the addition of Machkovich, Fair Coordinator, as a co-signer on the Green Lake County Fair bank account held at the Horicon Bank. All ayes. Approved.

## **FAIR COORDINATOR REPORT**

- Machkovich attends weekly meetings for the WI Association of Fairs COVID-19.
- Donations for Friends of the Fair are down 50%.
- Fair entries open on June 1st and close on July 1st.
- Fair Maintenance Bids: received one bid.
- Applied for Compeer Financial Grant for Fair Facility Upgrades was awarded \$3,000 grant
- Update on how COVID-19 is impacting the Fair along with other Fairs across the state.

## POSSIBLE CANCELLATION OF THE 2020 FAIR

Machkovich shared the COVID-19 & 2020 Green Lake County Fair Report. After much discussion about the fair, COVID-19 and the health and safety of the exhibitors and the public attending the fair and with heavy hearts, the Committee made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 Green Lake County Fair.

**Motion by (Hess/Bates)** to cancel the 2020 Fair and work on the 2021 Fair. All ayes. Motion carried. Machkovich will put together a press release and together with Schmit, Reabe, Martinez and Ninneman will contact the necessary people.

# EDUCATORS' SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REPORTS & RELEVANT TRAININGS, MEETINGS & PROGRAMS

Written monthly report on file for Gellings, Jenkins and Martinez. Gellings, Jenkins and Martinez gave verbal reports.

#### AREA EXTENSION DIRECTOR REPORT

Hady gave a Power Point on the history of UW-Extension and explained the different educator positions and programming areas.

## APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS

None.

# **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

None.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- If anyone has an agenda item, please contact Garro or Ninneman.
- Next regular meeting date: June 9, 2020 in the Training Room/Zoom at 9:00 a.m.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion/second (Hess/Bates) to adjourn at 10:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Ninneman, Committee Secretary